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Docket No. 243272US3

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Hiroshi SUGITATSU, et al.

SERIAL NO: 10/677,263 GAU: 1742

FILED: October 3, 2003 EXAMINER: KASTLER

FOR: METHOD FOR PRODUCING FEED MATERIAL FOR MOLTEN METAL PRODUCTION AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING MOLTEN METAL

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

It is hereby requested that a **one** month extension of time be granted to June 27, 2006 for

☐ filing a response to the Official Action dated:

☐ responding to the requirements in the Notice of Allowability dated:

☐ filing the Formal Drawings. The Issue Fee due has been timely filed.

☐ responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated:

■ filing a Notice of Appeal. A Request for Continued Examination is being filed concurrently herewith.

☐ filing an Appeal Brief. A Notice of Appeal was filed on:

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown below is reduced by one-half.

The required fee of $120.00 is enclosed herewith by credit card payment and any further charges may be made against the Attorney of Record's Deposit Account No. **15-0030**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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